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SUBJECT: TITO MEETS AUSTRIAN CHANCELLOR KREISKY IN SLOVENIA

1. LEADING DAILIES IN CROATIA AND SLOVSVIA FOR DECEMBER 30 GAVE FRONT PAGE TREATMENT TO AN INFORMAL WORKING MEETING OF PRESIDENT TITO AND AUSTRIAN FEDERAL CHANCELLOR KREISKHOWHICH TOOK PLACE THE DAY BEFORE AT BRDO KOD KRANJ IN SLOVENIA.

2. ACCORDING TO THE PRESS ACCOUNTS EDVARD KARDELJ, A MEMBER OF THE PRESIDENCY, HAD INVITED KREISKY TO SLOVENIA. KARDELJ HOSTED A WORKING DINNER FOR KREISKY AT CASTLE STRMOL NEAR KRANJ THE EVENING OF DECEMBER 28 WHICH WAS ATTENDED ALSO BY SERGEJ KRAJGER, PRESIDENT OF THE SLOVENIAN REPUBLIC; JAKOV BLAZEVIC, PRESIDENT OF THE CROATIAN REPUBLIC; DR. EMIL LUDVIGER, MEMBER OF THE FEDERAL EXECUTIVE COUNCIL; DR. ALEXANDER OTTO, AUSTRIAN AMBASSADOR; AND OTHERS.

3. MONDAY NOON, KREI KY MET WITH TITO. KARDELJ ALSO PARTICIPATED IN THIS MEETING WHICH TOOK PLACE AT TITO'S RESIDENCE AT BRDO KOD KRANJ. THE MEETING CONTINUED INTO A WORKING LUNCHEON AND WAS DESCRIBED IN THE PRESS AS AN INTENSIVE WORKING SESSION DEALING PRIMARILY WITH BILATERAL ISSUES BUT TOUCHING AS WELL ON FOREIGN  
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POLICIES OF THE TWO GOVERNMENTS AND POSSIBLE ECONOMIC COOPERA-

TION IN JOINT APPROACHES TO THIRD COUNTRY MARKETS.

4. FOLLOWING THE MEETING, TITO, KREISKY AND KARDELJ HELD A JOINT PRESS CONFERENCE. TITO'S ASSESSMENT OF THE MEETING: "THIS EXCHANGE ASSURES THAT QUESTION OF MUTUAL INTEREST WILL BE DISCUSSED IN A PEACEFUL AND CONSTRUCTIVE WAY." HE NOTED THAT HIS DISCUSSIONS WITH CHANCELLOR KREISKY IN ADDITION TO PURELY BILATERAL ISSUES HAD TOUCHED ALSO UPON INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS INSOFAR AS THERE EXISTED SIMILAR ATTITUDES ON THE PART OF THE TWO GOVERNMENTS, POINTING OUT THAT THERE WAS EVEN GREATER HARMONY IN THIS AREA THAN ON SOME OF THE BILATERAL QUESTIONS.

5. CHANCELLOR KREISKY SUMMED UP HIS IMPRESSION OF THE MEETING IN THESE WORDS: "THE DATA WE HAVE RECEIVED HERE WILL BE HELPFUL AND WILL SERVE AS THE BASIS FOR FURTHER DISCUSSIONS WITH PARTY LEADERS (IN AUSTRIA) ON RESOLVING THE PROBLEM OF NATIONAL MINORITIES." RESPONDING TO A QUESTION FROM A NEWSMAN AS TO WHETHER THE MINORITY PROBLEM HAD BEEN SOLVED KREISKY SAID, "MY HOSTS HAD BEEN VERY TACTFUL BUT THEY GAVE NO FORMULAS FOR SOLVING PROBLEMS. HOWEVER WE DESIRE THAT AGREEMENT BE REACHED WITH OUT NATIONAL MINORITIES. THE 'SPECIAL CENSUS' ACCORDING TO THE YUGOSLAVS, IS A SOURCE OF WORRY. THE RIGHTS OF THE MINORITIES CANNOT BE CONNECTED TO A CENSUS."

5. LOOKING TO THE FUTURE, PRESIDENT TITO MADE THIS COMMENT: "THIS MEETING SHOWS AN IMPROVEMENT OF THE RELATIONS BETWEEN OUR TWO COUNTRIES, AND WE HAVE AGREED THAT THERE SHOULD BE MORE MEETINGS ON A REGULAR BASIS AT THE APPROPRIATE LEVEL."

6. SPEAKING SPECIFICALLY TO THE NEWSMEN ON THE QUESTION OF IMPLEMENTING THE STATE TREATY, KREISKY SAID, "THE TALKS HAVE HELPED IN THE SEARCH FOR ANSWERS TO CERTAIN TROUBLESOME QUESTIONS. AUSTRIA IS CONSCIOUS OF ITS OBLIGATIONS IN IMPLEMENTING THE TERMS OF THE STATE TREATY." HE OBSERVED ALSO THAT YUGOSLAVIA AND AUSTRIA HAD A MUTUAL INTEREST IN SEEING PEACE STRENGTHENED IN THIS PART OF EUROPE.

7. COMMENT: USUALLY MEETINGS OF HEADS OF GOVERNMENT WITH TITO ARE ANNOUNCED AT LEAST SEVERAL DAYS IN ADVANCE. THE FACT THAT THERE WAS NO PRIOR ANNOUNCEMENT OF THIS INFORMAL VISIT BY KREISKY LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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UNDERScores ITS IMPROMPTU NATURE (THE DELO ACCOUNT OF THE MEETING MENTIONS THAT KREISKY INTERRUPTED HIS SKI VACATION AT LECH TO COME TO SLOVENIA). IN RECENT CONVERSATIONS WE HAVE HAD WITH GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS IN SLOVENIA THERE APPEARED TO BE A MILD BUT GROWING DISCONTENT WITH SLOWNESS OF PROGRESS ON THE SLOVENIA MINORITY QUESTION IN CARINTHIA. SLOVENIAN LEADERS, THEREFORE, MIGHT WELL WANT TO CREATE AN IMPRESSION THAT THE PROBLEM OF THE MINORITY ACROSS THE BORDER HAD NOT BEEN FORGOTTEN.

8. AFTER VISIT TITO JOURNEYED TO ZAGREB WHERE HE IS EXPECTED  
TO SPEND THE NEW YEAR'S HOLIDAY. THE CITY TODAY IS BRISTLING WITH  
SECURITY FORCES. KAISER

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